U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

CRIMINAL DIVISION

EXPERIENCED ATTORNEY, GS-14/15 (RLA-ALBANIA)

About the Office: The mission of the Criminal Division's Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development, Assistance and Training (OPDAT) is to develop and administer technical and developmental assistance designed to enhance the capabilities of foreign justice sector institutions and their law enforcement personnel, so they can cooperate more fully with the Department of Justice in combating terrorism, trafficking in persons, organized crime, corruption, and financial crimes.

Responsibilities and

Opportunity Offered: The Office seeks an experienced Assistant United States Attorney or Department of Justice Trial Attorney to serve as the Resident Legal Advisor (RLA) for Albania. This assignment is for a term of one year, with the possibility of an extension for a second year, contingent on available funding. (This is a reimbursable detail.) The RLA represents the Department of Justice and OPDAT in the implementation of justice sector technical assistance activities in order to strengthen the bilateral relationship between the United States and Albania on criminal justice matters. The RLA will provide assistance regarding legislative reform; coordinate with other international donors and chair the Legal Reform Working Group of the International Consortium; advise the Office of the Prosecutor General, the Ministry of Interior and the Ministry of Justice; provide direct assistance to specialized prosecutorial and investigative entities regarding organized crime, economic crime and corruption; coordinate and participate in skills development programs with the Albanian School of Magistrates; oversee the provision of technical IT support to the prosecution service; and enhance Albanian criminal justice capabilities in asset forfeiture and witness protection.

Qualifications: **Required qualifications**: Applicants must possess a J.D. degree, be duly licensed and authorized to practice as an attorney under the laws of a State, territory, or the District of Columbia. **Applicants must be a current Department Trial Attorney or Assistant United States Attorney** and have at least four or five years of post J.D. experience to be qualified at the GS-14 or 15 level.

Preferred qualifications: Applicants must have the ability to function effectively in an international, multicultural environment, possess excellent interpersonal and management skills, be mature and self-sufficient, communicate effectively orally and in writing, and possess extensive prosecutorial experience. Specialized experience in prosecuting organized crime, corruption and financial crimes, as well as in legislative drafting, task force operations, asset forfeiture, and witness protection issues, is desirable. Comparative experience with continental criminal legal systems is also desirable. The ability to speak Albanian is not required, but would be an asset.

<u>Travel</u>: Periodic travel will be required.

<u>Salary Information</u>: Current salary and years of experience determine the appropriate salary level. (See OPM's Web page at www.opm.gov/oca/payrates/index.htm)

Location: The RLA will be stationed in Tirana, Albania beginning in the summer 2006.

Relocation Expenses: Relocation expenses are authorized.

Submission Process

<u>and Deadline Date</u>: To apply for this position, please submit a resume and cover letter (highlighting relevant skills and experience) to:

U.S. Department of Justice Criminal Division Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development, Assistance and Training (OPDAT) 10th and Pennsylvania Aves., NW

Washington, DC 20530

Attn: Teresa Braun, Program Analyst, Central and Eastern Europe

Applications may also be submitted by fax or email. Faxed or e-mailed submissions are also acceptable. Ms. Braun's fax number is (202) 616-6770. Her email address is Teresa.Braun@usdoj.gov.

This position is open until June 30, 2006.